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**PATENT APPLICATION  
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**IN THE  
UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**Application No. 09/970,455**

**Examiner: STERRETT, JONATHAN G.**

**Filed: 10/3/2001**

**Group No. 3623**

**Title: A SELF-LEARNING METHOD AND  
APPARATUS FOR RATING SERVICE  
PROVIDERS AND PREDICTING FUTURE  
PERFORMANCE**

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**Confirmation No. 3623**

**AMENDMENT A**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 12/21/2005, Applicants petition for entry and consideration of the following Remarks and Amendment.

Applicants petition for a TWO MONTH extension of time and is authorized to charge the fee which is required to Deposit Account No. 50-2421.

The amendments set forth herein are provided solely to clarify the invention as filed and set forth in the pending claims in order to comply with applicable statutes and regulations. The amendments are not intended to limit the invention or preclude the application of equivalents which Applicants may be entitled to under law.